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Co-Chair, Representative William Tong Joint Committee on the Judiciary Legislative Office building, Room 2500 Hartford CT 06106

Re: Reappointment of Judge Matthew Frechette

Dear Representative Tong,

Please accept this letter in support of the reappointment of Judge Matthew Frechette to continue in his service as a Superior Court Judge for the State of Connecticut.

I have known Judge Frechette professionally for many years. I have therefore had the privilege of observing him both as an attorney and as a judge. As a judge, he administers justice fairly and with respect not only for the law, but also for the attorneys and litigants who appear before him. Judge Frechette has the ideal judicial temperament, a keen knowledge of the law, and most importantly, the ability to apply the law fairly and impartially. Most recently, he presided over a pretrial conference in a complicated, high exposure, personal injury matter with complicated liability issues, including the admissibility of certain evidence and the apportionment of liability amongst the defendants. The case also included multiple layers of insurance coverage, further complicating matters. Judge Frechette was very persuasive in his discussion about the risk that both sides faced in going to trial. His efforts were instrumental in resolving the matter, saving both the parties and the judicial system the time and expense of going through a lengthy trial.

Judge Frechette is, in my opinion, uniquely qualified to serve as a Superior Court Judge. He is an intellectual jurist who brings his vast experience to the bench which results in the fair and expedient resolution of trials. I and my associate have had the privilege of appearing before Judge Frechette on many occasions, both at pretrial conferences and at trial. Judge Frechette truly embodies each of the characteristics that citizens should expect and require of their judiciary.

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It is my honor to fully support the reappointment of Judge Frechette to serve another term as a Superior Court Judge.

Very truly yours,

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